

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held November 18, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Los Angeles County Commission on Insurance's recommendation:

- Approve the Commission's recommendation to support H.R. 1210 (Waxman) the Holocaust Victims Insurance Relief Act of 2003, which would establish a Holocaust Insurance Registry by the Archivist of the United States and require certain disclosures by Insurers to the Secretary of Commerce; and approve the following related matters;
- 2. Send a letter to President Bush requesting his support of H.R. 1210, and requesting that he encourage the Internal Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC) to expedite processing of all claims and an accounting of ICHEIC expenditures and the dollar amount of claims satisfied to date; also to request President Bush to instruct the State Department to cooperate fully with the survivors and their families and organizations working to aid the survivors;
- 3. Authorize the Commission to support the Holocaust Family Survivors, Bet Tzedek and B'nai Brith in their attempts to secure compensation for the life insurance issued to family victims by insurance companies during the Holocaust era by cosponsoring two community information fairs, and instruct County Departments to cooperate in making the fairs a success, in order to inform people of the December 31, 2003 deadline to register people rightfully entitled to compensation;

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- 4. Authorize the Commission to send notices to the media, including the Beverly Press, the Jewish Journal and the Panorama Newspaper, regarding the December 31, 2003 deadline, established by ICHEIC, for filing claims for compensation for unpaid insurance policies; and
- 5. Request the Board to work with other governing bodies within the State of California and other jurisdictions and organizations encouraging their support in this matter to aid and protect survivors and their heirs and their right as insured to receive compensation.

Richard Robinson and Candace Owen addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Los Angeles County Commission on Insurance's recommendation was adopted with recommendation number 3 being revised to call for three community information fairs, rather than two.

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## Letter sent to:

President George W. Bush Congressman Henry A. Waxman Chairperson, Los Angeles County Commission on Insurance